

Mr. HELMS. Madam President, I thank the Senator from Massachusetts. I am grateful for the opportunity to work for him and with him in reaching this agreement. And I have only the observation that this could have been achieved many, many weeks ago if there had not been such intransigence. But that is behind us.

I hope from this point on that we can work together in good faith, not question each other's good faith, and work for the American people, saving money and improve the foreign policy apparatus of this country, which badly needs improving. And I pledge that I shall work with the Senator as long as he is willing to work with me. And I thank the Senator. And I thank the Chair.

I want to send to the desk, Madam President, a printed review of the items that Senator KERRY has just discussed for the benefit of the reporter. I know he tried to take it down, but it is easier to have it in writing.

Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the review be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

CHECKLIST—HELMS-KERRY MEETING ON S. 908

A. SUMMARY OF MANAGERS AMENDMENT

1. Consolidation

Agreed on compromise language offered by Kerry with technical changes, as follows:

\$1.7 billion in savings over 5 years; baseline is FY 1995 appropriated level;

No mandatory abolition of agencies;

Not more than 30% of the savings realized from programmatic reductions;

Not more than 15% of the savings realized from State Department's administrative accounts.

2. Other bill issues

Agreed on language reflected in attached summary of changes in Division A with the following additional changes:

(a) deletion of Section 168 based on Dodd's request in writing to Kerry to have this dealt with in conference on the Cuban Liberty and Solidarity Act;

(b) deletion of Section 603 relating to coercive population control policies (House bill contains a similar provision); and

(c) addition of \$10 million in FY 1996 for the East-West center, pursuant to Helms' agreement with Inouye.

3. Iraq Claims—

4. Authorization levels

Agreement that authorization levels would be addressed in conference with an effort to increase the levels of operating accounts for agencies affected by the bill.

B. CONFERENCE ISSUES

1. Consolidation

Agreement that the Senate conferees will operate "under consensus" with respect to Kerry's consolidation proposal regarding mandatory cost savings, abolition of the agencies and the limitations as to where cost savings may be achieved.

2. Foreign Aid Provisions

(a) Population provisions will be a Member issue in conference.

(b) Agreement that foreign aid provisions will either be added nor dropped in conference without Kerry's involvement.

C. PROCEDURAL ISSUES

1. Agreed that the pending nominations which are ready to be acted upon (i.e. 18 am-

bassadorial nominations and 4 FSO promotion lists) and the START II treaty will be added on by the Committee at a business meeting immediately prior to floor action on S. 908.

2. Agreed to propound 4 UC agreements prior to any action on S. 908 as follows:

(a) Nominees

Upon passage of S. 908, the 18 nominations and the 4 FSO promotion lists will be deemed passed by the Senate in bloc. In the event that the Committee has not acted upon these nominations, the UC agreement would provide for the Committee to be discharged of the 18 ambassadorial nominations and the 4 FSO promotion lists and for immediate passage of all these nominations upon passage of S. 908.

(b) Conferees on S. 908

Upon passage of S. 908, conferees would be appointed.

(c) START II

Upon passage of S. 908 in the event that Committee has not acted the Committee would be discharged of START II and Start II will be acted upon by the Senate prior to the end of this session.

(d) Conferees on Cuba

Upon passage of S. 908, conferees would be appointed on the Cuban Liberty and Solidarity Act.

D. OTHER ISSUES

1. Chemical Weapons Convention

Will schedule hearings for early next year and Committee action on the convention in early spring

2. Other Pending Nominations

Committee will resume normal activities including scheduling hearings and Committee action on all currently pending nominees, and other Committee business.

S. 908—SUMMARY OF CHANGES IN DIVISION 'A'

Agreements reached on changes in Division A

(Agreed-upon on 11/09/95)

Delete Foreign Service end strengths in section 141 (c) and (d). Reporting requirement on end strengths included in Kerry reorganization proposal.

Delete restrictions in section 111(c) on liaison office in North Korea. Done in managers amendment—7/31/95.

Agreed to drop sections 166 and 167 relating to immigration in conference.

Amend section 205 relating to UN inspector general.

Amend section 212 dealing with prior notification of UN Security Council votes on peacekeeping.

Substitute Intelligence Committee language on intelligence sharing with UN in section 216.

Delete section 217 exempting US from UN sanctions.

Delete provision terminating US participation in ILO in section 313(1).

Amend section 314 dealing with US participation in UN Human Rights Committee.

Agreed to drop new reporting requirements in conference.

Mr. HELMS. I thank the Chair.

Mr. PELL addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Rhode Island is recognized.

Mr. PELL. Madam President, I would just like to say how fortunate the United States is to have in its setting an individual with the manner, negotiating skill and tact, as that of the Senator from Massachusetts. He has carried the load in a wonderful way. I feel guilty not having shared it more. And his willingness to compromise is the

essence of politics and the essence of progress. He and the Senator from North Carolina have conducted themselves ably. I would like to put in a word for the assistant of the Senator from Massachusetts, Nancy Stetson. By coincidence, she is from the State of Rhode Island.

Mr. KERRY. I thank the distinguished former chairman and now ranking member of the committee for his very generous comments.

Mr. HELMS. Madam President, it goes without saying that I am grateful, as I always am, for the remarkable staff of the majority on the Foreign Relations Committee. Beside me is Steve Berry, who has worked arduously and continuously, and he still has a little bit of his hair left. And then there is Randy Scheunemann, who once was on our staff and is now associated with Senator DOLE. He has been of invaluable help. I cannot go down the long list, but I am obliged to mention my Monroe, North Carolina colleague, the chief of staff of the Foreign Relations Committee, retired navy admiral Bud Nance. He calls himself "Bud," but his name is James Wilson Nance. I must insert the personal note that Bud and I were born 2 months apart, two blocks apart in the little town of Monroe. He served 38 years in the Navy, and after that, he served Ronald Reagan as his foreign affairs advisor.

Mr. KERRY. If my colleague will yield before he closes, I join with him in thanking his staff, also—Steve Berry, particularly, and Randy Scheunemann have been extraordinarily helpful in working through the issues. We are grateful for their help.

Mr. HELMS. That is very kind of the Senator. I know they appreciate that.

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that there now be a period for the transaction of routine morning business.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Thomas, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:07 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by

Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1058) to reform Federal securities litigation, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2076) making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes.

At 5:30 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House insists upon its amendments to the bill (S. 641) to reauthorize the Ryan White CARE Act of 1990, and for other purposes, disagreed to by the Senate, and agrees to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints Mr. BLILEY, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. WAXMAN, and Mr. STUDDS as the managers of the conference on the part of the House.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the amendment of the House to the bill (S. 790) to provide for the modifications or elimination of Federal reporting requirements.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1350. An act to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936 to revitalize the United States-flag merchant marine, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2099) making appropriations for the Department of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes, and the House recedes from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate and concurs therein with an amendment.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The message further announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 1058. An act to reform Federal securities litigation, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2204. An Act to extend and reauthorize the Defense Production Act of 1950, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. THURMOND).

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following measure was read the first and second time and placed on the calendar:

S. 1452. A bill to establish procedures to provide for a taxpayer protection lock-box and related downward adjustment of discretionary spending limits and to provide for additional deficit reduction with funds resulting from the stimulative effect of revenue reductions.

The following measure was read the first and second times by unanimous consent and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 1350. An act to amend the Merchant Marine Act, 1936 to revitalize the United States-flag merchant marine, and for other purposes.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HATFIELD, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for Fiscal Year 1996" (Rept. No. 104-180).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 1459. An original bill to provide for uniform management of livestock grazing on Federal land, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-181).

By Mr. PRESSLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 776. A bill to reauthorize the Atlantic Striped Bass Conservation Act and the Anadromous Fish Conservation Act, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-182).

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 956. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to divide the ninth judicial circuit of the United States into two circuits, and for other purposes.

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 1340. A bill to require the President to appoint a Commission on Concentration in the Livestock Industry.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary.

Bruce D. Black, of New Mexico, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico.

Patricia A. Gaughan, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio.

Hugh Lawson, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia.

John Thomas Marten, of Kansas, to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendations that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. BURNS (for himself, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. REID, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. BRYAN, and Mr. INHOFE):

S. 1453. A bill to prohibit the regulation by the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Commissioner of Food and Drugs of any activities of sponsors or sponsorship programs connected with, or any advertising used or purchased by, the Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association, its agents or affiliates, or any other professional rodeo association, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. HELMS:

S. 1454. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade and fisheries for the vessel *Joan Marie*, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S. 1455. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Movin On*, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S. 1456. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Play Hard*, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S. 1457. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Shogun*, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 1458. A bill to amend the provisions of title 35, United States Code, to establish the Patent and Trademark Corporation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI (for Mr. DOMENICI):

S. 1459. An original bill to provide for uniform management of livestock grazing on Federal land, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources; placed on the calendar.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. BIDEN):

S. 1460. A bill to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to support the International Dolphin Conservative Program in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. LOTT (for himself and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. Res. 198. A resolution to make certain technical changes to S. Res. 158; considered and agreed to.